

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Title: MUSIC SYSTEM

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT
April 13, 2000

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Restriction Requirement mailed on April 13, 2000, to further highlight why the application is in condition for allowance.

REMARKS

Applicant is in receipt of the Restriction Requirement mailed April 13, 2000. Applicant provisionally elects Group II comprising claims 3, 29, 30 and 35, with traverse.

Applicant respectfully submits that a number of the "separable inventions" identified in the restriction requirement are not proper subject for a restriction requirement. For example, with respect to Group VIII comprising claims 23-24, Applicant submits that the subject matter of these claims do not "have separate utility".

- Claim 1 recites "an audio entertainment system" and claims 23 - 24 simply add that an
- audio output of the audio entertainment system is coupled to speakers or coupled through